INFORMED AND FAITHFUL

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WHAT THE LAW COULDN'T DO...

- ...our Redeemer did!
- The Law wasn't inadequate in itself; it provided a method for redemption
- The problem was that people had no eligible person to serve in the manner provided by the Law
- * Ephesians 1:9-10 He made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His kind intention which He purposed in Him with a view to an administration suitable to the fullness of the times, that is, the summing up of all things in Christ, things in the heavens and things on the earth.

REDEMPTION DEFINED

- Padah: ownership transfer through payment
- **Koper:** ownership transfer by substitutional payment
- Ga'al: third party redemption when a person cannot pay or substitute something to get out of debt
- Exodus 21:2 "If you buy a Hebrew slave, he shall serve for six years; but on the seventh he shall go out as a free man without payment.
- But sometimes people became enslaved to someone who wasn't Jewish like them
- Leviticus 25:47-48 'Now if the means of a stranger or of a sojourner with you becomes sufficient, and a countryman of yours becomes so poor with regard to him as to sell himself to a stranger who is sojourning with you, or to the descendants of a stranger's family, then he shall have redemption right after he has been sold.

WHO COULD REDEEM?

Leviticus 25:48-49...then he shall have redemption right after he has been sold. One of his brothers may redeem him, or his uncle, or his uncle's son, may redeem him, or one of his blood relatives from his family may redeem him; or if he prospers, he may redeem himself.

Redemption needed if:

- 1. Relative sold into slavery 2. Relative lost land
- 3. Female relative w/o heirs
- 4. Relative murdered

QUALIFICATIONS OF GO'EL

- BLOOD RELATIVE (nearest able and willing)
- ABLE TO PAY THE PRICE
- WILLING TO PAY THE PRICE
- Humanity was enslaved to a foreigner (Satan)
 - **John 8:34** Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is the slave of sin."
- Humans lost their land John 12:31 "Now judgment is upon this world; now the ruler of this world will be cast out."
- Murders had happened John 8:44 "You are of your father the devil, and you want to do the desires of your father. He was a murderer from the beginning..."

THE HUSBAND

- There were no heirs for God—the husband
 - **Jeremiah 31:32** "...not like the covenant which I made with their fathers in the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, My covenant which they broke, although I was a husband to them," declares the LORD.
- Clearly humanity needed redemption in all four categories; we needed a qualified kinsman to step up!
- All people are enslaved to sin because we are descendants of the seed of man; a slave can't redeem himself, or anyone else!
- We need a redeemer who is flesh and blood but not born of the seed of man

ENTER JESUS

- *Hebrews 2:14-15 Therefore, since the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise also partook of the same, that through death He might render powerless him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, and might free those who through fear of death were subject to slavery all their lives.
- Luke 1:35 The angel answered and said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; and for that reason the holy Child shall be called the Son of God.

THE REDEMPTION PRICE

- Leviticus 17:11 'For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it to you on the altar to make atonement for your souls; for it is the blood by reason of the life that makes atonement.'
- Hebrews 9:22 And according to the Law, one may almost say, all things are cleansed with blood, and without shedding of blood there is no forgiveness.
- The price for our redemption from intentional sin was higher than the price for unintentional sin
- Hebrews 9:23-24 Therefore it was necessary for the copies of the things in the heavens to be cleansed with these, but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these. For Christ did not enter a holy place made with hands, a mere copy of the true one, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us;

THE PARALLEL

- EARTH
- Copy and shadow tabernacle
- Blood of animals
- Priests are Levites
- High priest from Levi
- Blood offered by High Priest atoned for unintentional sin
- Sacrifice required annually
- Only Levites could minister

- HEAVEN
- Heavenly tabernacle
- Blood of Jesus
- Priests are angels
- High priest is from Judah
- Blood offered by High Priest atoned for ALL sin
- One sacrifice for eternity
- Priesthood of believers minister

REDEMPTION OF RELATIVE

- When we accept the sacrifice of Christ (enter the outer court) we are spiritually redeemed; we are not yet bodily redeemed; offering unredeemed body is sacrificial
- 1 Corinthians 6:20 For you have been bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body.
- When a purchase was made, it was customary to put a seal of ownership and authenticity on the purchase
- Ephesians 1:13 In Him, you also, after listening to the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation—having also believed, you were sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit of promise...
- Ephesians 4:30 Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

RELATIVE REDEMPTION part 2

- 2 Corinthians 4:7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, so that the surpassing greatness of the power will be of God and not from ourselves;
- Romans 8:23 And not only this, but also we ourselves, having the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting eagerly for our adoption as sons, the redemption of our body.
- **1 Corinthians 15:51-52**
- **1 Thessalonians 4:13-17**
- ▶ 1 John 3:2 Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we will be. We know that when He appears, we will be like Him, because we will see Him just as He is.

REDEMPTION OF LAND

- Jeremiah 32:6-7 And Jeremiah said, The word of the Lord came to me, saying, 'Behold, Hanamel the son of Shallum your uncle is coming to you, saying, "Buy for yourself my field which is at Anathoth, for you have the right of redemption to buy it."
- Paid price; took deed and sealed it; put it in jar of clay; only Jeremiah or his heirs (rightful owners) could open break the seal and transact business
- The current ruler of earth is Satan
- John 12:31 "Now judgment is upon this world; now the ruler of this world will be cast out."

LAND REDEMPTION part 2

- *Revelation 5:1-3 I saw in the right hand of Him who sat on the throne a book written inside and on the back, sealed up with seven seals. And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the book and to break its seals?" And no one in heaven or on the earth or under the earth was able to open the book or to look into it.
- Revelation 5:9 And they sang a new song, saying, "Worthy are You to take the book and to break its seals; for You were slain, and purchased for God with Your blood men from every tribe and tongue and people and nation."

TEMPTATION OF CHRIST

- Matthew 4:8-9 Again, the devil took Him to a very high mountain and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory; and he said to Him, "All these things I will give You, if You fall down and worship me."
- Satan is the master of easy shortcuts
- Satan's shortcuts never get you where you need to be with God!
- 2 Timothy 3:13 But evil men and impostors will proceed from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived.

THE MARRIAGE REDEMPTION

- * Levirate marriage: Deuteronomy 25:5 When brothers live together and one of them dies and has no son, the wife of the deceased shall not be married outside the family to a strange man. Her husband's brother shall go in to her and take her to himself as wife and perform the duty of a husband's brother to her.
- ❖ PICTURE: RUTH AND BOAZ Ruth 4:1 Now Boaz went up to the gate and sat down there, and behold, the close relative of whom Boaz spoke was passing by, so he said, "Turn aside, friend, sit down here." And he turned aside and sat down.

NO HUMANS, JEWISH OR OTHERWISE, WERE PRODUCING HEIRS (THOSE WHO WERE OF GOD'S HOUSEHOLD) BECAUSE OF SIN

THE MARRIAGE part 2

- Jesus paid the price for sin and received the right for the marriage to produce heirs
- Revelation 19:7 "Let us rejoice and be glad and give the glory to Him, for the marriage of the Lamb has come and His bride has made herself ready."
- * Ephesians 5:25-27 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her, so that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, that He might present to Himself the church in all her glory, having no spot or wrinkle or any such thing; but that she would be holy and blameless.

THE GOAL OF THE MARRIAGE IS HEIRS

CHRISTIANS ARE HEIRS

- Galatians 3:29 And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's descendants, heirs according to promise.
- *Titus 3:4-7 But when the kindness of God our Savior and His love for mankind appeared, He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by His grace we would be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

JUDICIAL EXECUTIONER

- Because people are made in God's image, human life is sacred
- Genesis 9:5-6 Surely I will require your lifeblood; from every beast I will require it. And from every man, from every man's brother I will require the life of man. "Whoever sheds man's blood, by man his blood shall be shed, for in the image of God He made man.
- Exodus 21:12-13 He who strikes a man so that he dies shall surely be put to death. But if he did not lie in wait for him, but God let him fall into his hand, then I will appoint you a place to which he may flee.

GA'AL: AVENGER OF BLOOD

- ▶ Deuteronomy 19:11-12 But if there is a man who hates his neighbor and lies in wait for him and rises up against him and strikes him so that he dies, and he flees to one of these cities, then the elders of his city shall send and take him from there and deliver him into the hand of the avenger of blood, that he may die.
- Numbers 35:33 So you shall not pollute the land in which you are; for blood pollutes the land and no expiation can be made for the land for the blood that is shed on it, except by the blood of him who shed it.
- Expiation: kaphar from koper: no substitutionary payment
- John 8:44 "You are of your father the devil, and you want to do the desires of your father. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth..."

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CRY FOR AVENGING

- **Revelation 6:9-10 When the Lamb broke the fifth seal, I saw underneath the altar the souls of those who had been slain because of the word of God, and because of the testimony which they had maintained; and they cried out with a loud voice, saying, "How long, O Lord, holy and true, will You refrain from judging and avenging our blood on those who dwell on the earth?"
- John 12:31 "Now judgment is upon this world; now the ruler of this world will be cast out."
- **Revelation 20:2-3 And he laid hold of the dragon, the serpent of old, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years; and he threw him into the abyss, and shut it and sealed it over him, so that he would not deceive the nations any longer, until the thousand years were completed; after these things he must be released for a short time.

SATAN'S RELEASE

- Revelation 20:7-10 When the thousand years are completed, Satan will be released from his prison, and will come out to deceive the nations which are in the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together for the war; the number of them is like the sand of the seashore. And they came up on the broad plain of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city, and fire came down from heaven and devoured them. And the devil who deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are also; and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.
- The lake of fire is the eternal abode of Satan, the anti-christ, the false prophet, fallen angels, death, hades, and unbelievers